(b) and (c) Necessary maintenance facilities for Air India and Indian Airlines aircraft are available with the respective air-lines. While Vayudoot has facilities for maintaining Dornier aircraft, its other types of aircraft are serviced/maintained by Indian Airlines.

All the routes of Air India's scheduled passenger services yielded cash surplus in 1991-92.

In the case of Indian Airlines, out of 120 services operated, 22 routes did not meet the cash cost of operations; the loss was estimated at Rs. 1.57 crores on this account in August, 1992.

Almost all the services operated by Vayudoot are unprofitable.

Measures such as regular monitoring of performance, rationalisation of routes and fares, better utilisation of aircraft are among the measures taken to improve profitability.

(d) Eleven aircraft in the fleet of Air India are more than 10 years old. Indian Airlines has 34 and Vayudoot 8 aircraft which are more than 10 years old.

(e) The aircraft with the airlines are being maintained according to stipulations of the manufacturing and regulatory agencies and no aircraft in operation can be treated as having outlived its life.

Construction of Airports by N.B.C.C.

1529. CHOWDHRY HARI SINGH: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the N.B.C.C. (National Buildings Construction Corporation) has recently signed Rs. 60 crore contract with the National Airports Authority to provide management services for construction of airports at Delhi, Patna, Bhubaneswar and Vadodara;

(b) if so, what is the time frame of Government in regard to the supply of these services for construction of the airports at the above places; and

(c) what is the total estimated number of persons proposed to be employed for this purpose and expenditure proposed to be incurred by the N.A.A. for this contract by the N.B.C.C.?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD): (a) Yes, Sir. The estimated amount of the sanctioned work is Rs. 45.20 crores.

(b) The scheduled dates of completion of the project assigned to NBCC are as under:

(1) DELHI	31-10-94
(2) BHUBANESWAR	01-03-95
(3) PATNA	30-04-95
(4) VADODARA	01-03-95

(c) No additional manpower will be deployed by NAA as the work is being executed through NBCC on agency basis for which payment @ 5.5% of the cost of work will be paid to NBCC as Departmental charges.

एयर इंडिया/इंडियन एयरलाइंस के कर्मचारी वर्ग को दिये गए मानार्थ हवाई यात्रा टिकट

1530. **श्री मोहम्मद अफजल उर्फ मीम अफजल :** क्या नागर विमानन और पर्यटन मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) वर्ष 1990-91 और 1991-92 के दौरान एयर इंडिया और इंडियन एयरलाइंस के अधिकारियों द्वारा इस्तेमाल किए गए मानार्थ हवाई यात्रा टिकटों का कुल किराया मूल्य कितना है, और

(ख) वर्ष 1990-91 और 1991-92 के दौरान कर्मचारियों को जारी किए गए मानार्थ हवाई यात्रा टिकटों का कुल किराया मूल्य कितना है ;

नागर विमानन और पर्यटन मंत्री (श्री गुलाम नबी आजाद) : (क) और (ख) सूचना एकत्र की जा रही है और सदन के पटल पर रख दी जाएगी।